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| <b>TO: Examiner:</b> Hugh M. Jones | : | <b>RE: U.S. Patent Application</b> |
| <b>Art Unit:</b> 2128              | : | <b>Serial No.:</b> 09/480,343      |
| <b>Fax:</b> 703-872-9306           | : | <b>Applicant:</b> Paul Allan Ryder |
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**RE:** The above referenced U.S. Patent Application  
**Title:** METHOD, SYSTEM AND PROGRAM PRODUCT FOR MANAGING BUILDING OPTIONS  
**Filed:** January 10, 2000  
**AT File No.** 13307-175

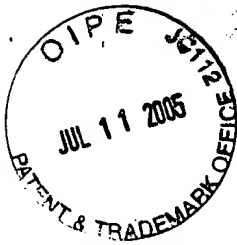
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**STATUS**

2. Applicant  
☒ claims small entity status.  
☒ is other than a small entity.


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### EXTENSION OF TERM

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(complete (a) or (b), as applicable)

- (a) \_\_\_\_\_ Applicant petitions for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. 1.136  
(Fees: 37 C.F.R. 1.17(a)-(d) for the total number of months checked below:)

| Extension for response<br>within: | Other than small<br>entity Fee | Small entity Fee<br>(if applicable) |
|-----------------------------------|--------------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| _____ first month                 | \$ 110.00                      | \$ 55.00                            |
| _____ second month                | \$ 400.00                      | \$ 200.00                           |
| _____ third month                 | \$ 920.00                      | \$ 460.00                           |
| _____ fourth month                | \$1,440.00                     | \$ 720.00                           |
| _____ fifth month                 | \$1,960.00                     | \$ 980.00                           |

Fee: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

If an additional extension of time is required, please consider this a petition therefor.

*(Check and complete the next item, if applicable)*

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Extension fee due with this request \$ .

OR

- (b) ☒ \_\_\_\_\_ Applicant believes that no extension of term is required. However, this conditional petition is being made to provide for the possibility that applicant has inadvertently overlooked the need for a petition for extension of time.

## FEE FOR CLAIMS

4. The fee for claims (37 C.F.R. 1.16(b)-(d)) has been calculated as shown below:

|   | (Col. 1)                                  |       | (Col. 2)                              | (Col. 3)         | SMALL ENTITY               |    | OTHER THAN<br>SMALL ENTITY |
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| — FIRST PRESENTATION OF MULTIPLE DEP. CLAIM |   |       |                                       |                  | + \$130 = \$               |    | + \$280 = \$               |
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- (a) ☒ No additional fee for Claims is required

OR

- (b) \_\_\_\_\_ Total additional fee for claims required \$ \_\_\_\_\_

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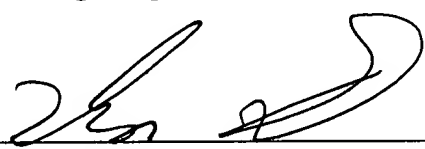
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AND/OR

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